

N. C. Gang Overview Court Commission 2016



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Main Gangs in NC

Street Gangs

United Blood Nation

Crips

Folk Nation

Hispanic Gangs

Surenos (SUR 13)

Latin Kings

Mara Salvatrucha (MS 13)



Main Gangs in NC

Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs (OMG's)

Hells Angels

Outlaws

Pagans

Mongols

Wheels of Soul

Outcast

White Supremacy

Loyal White Knights (KKK)

Aryan Brotherhood

Hammerskins



United Blood Nation (UBN) North Carolina

- ❖ 9-Trey (Billy Bad Ass)
- ❖ G-Shine Bloods
- ❖ One Eight Tres (183)
- ❖ Sex Money Murder (SMM)
- ❖ Valentine Bloods
- ❖ Gangsta Killer Bloods (GKB)
- ❖ Double ii Bloods
- ❖ E-Ricket Hunna Bloods



United Blood Nation (UBN) North Carolina

The UBN is the most predominant and violent Street Gang in North Carolina. Members of this gang span the State and answer to a strict chain of command.

Common Crimes linked to UBN in NC

- ❖ Murder
- ❖ Shootings
- ❖ Narcotic Sales and Distribution
- ❖ Illegal Firearms Possession
- ❖ Home Invasions
- ❖ Robberies
- ❖ Kidnapping
- ❖ Witness Intimidation
- ❖ Extortion
- ❖ Fraud



Crips in North Carolina

- ❖ 52 Hoover Crips
- ❖ 8 Trey Crips
- ❖ Rollin 30's
- ❖ Rollin 40's
- ❖ Rollin 60's
- ❖ Grape Street Crips
- ❖ 107 Hoover Crips



Hispanic Gangs in North Carolina

- ❖ Sur 13
- ❖ MS 13
- ❖ Latin Kings
- ❖ Other (Various Sub Sets)



FOX 46

**Unsealed Documents show MS-13
Gang Members had Hit List**

Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs (OMG's)

Main 1%er Clubs in NC

- ❖ Hells Angels
- ❖ Outlaws
- ❖ Pagans
- ❖ Mongols
- ❖ Wheels of Soul
- ❖ Outcast



Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs (OMG's)

Established territories in North Carolina



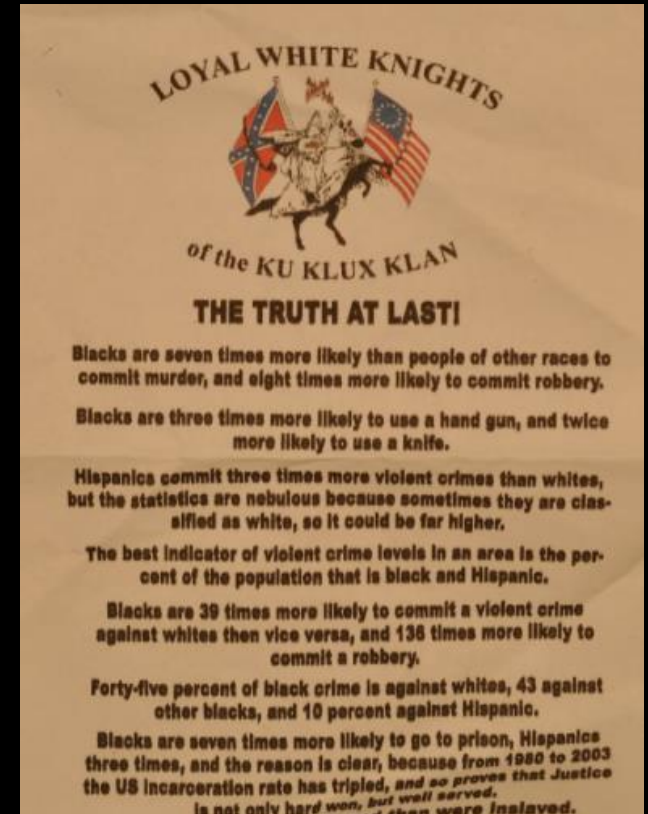
White Supremacy Groups in North Carolina

- ❖ Loyal White Knights (KKK)
- ❖ East Coast Knights of the KKK
- ❖ Aryan Brotherhood
- ❖ Hammerskins



White Supremacy Groups in North Carolina

The Loyal White Knights of the Klu Klux Klan claim their headquarters in North Carolina. Members of the Loyal White Knights have protested in Columbia South Carolina, and recently in Anaheim California. North Carolina has been recently experiencing “flyer drops” in the middle of the night to promote membership.



Pictured above is a flyer found at a private residence.

Significant Gang Related Events

CRIME

APRIL 22, 2015 11:04 PM

6 Charlotte-area gang members charged with Lake Wylie murders

A group of Charlotte-area gang members plotted the killings of Doug and Debbie London for weeks before the couple were gunned down last October in their Lake Wylie home, a new indictment says.

Afterward, according to the indictment, members of United Blood Nation celebrated the fact that Doug London could no longer testify against the three gang members who tried to rob the couple's South Boulevard mattress store last May.



Victims:

Debbie London (61)

Doug London (63)



- ❖ May 25th, 2014, The Mattress Warehouse in Charlotte was robbed by Jamell Cureton, David Fudge and Nana Adoma. Doug London, the owner of the Mattress Warehouse shot and wounded Jamell Cureton during the robbery.
- ❖ All three men belong to the UBN and began to conspire to kill Mr. London to prevent him from testifying against them.
- ❖ On October 23rd, 2014, the Londons were killed at their home in Lake Wylie after answering the door for the gang.
- ❖ In total, seven (7) UBN members were arrested for their involvement in the killing of Mr. and Mrs. London.
- ❖ The murder had been planned and orchestrated from Jameell Cureton's jail cell. UBN members were communicating across multiple jurisdictions in North Carolina and South Carolina during their efforts to plan the murders.



Jamell Cureton
"Murda Mel"



David Fudge
"Flames"

UBN Members Arrested in connection with the Murder of the Londons

❖ Jamel Cureton		❖ Briana Johnson	"Breezy B"
	"Assassin" and "Murda Mel"	❖ Ahkeem McDonald	"Lil Keem"
❖ David Fudge	"Flames"	❖ Nana Adoma	"Ratchett"
❖ Randall Hankins	"Foe"	❖ Ibn Kornegay	"IB"
❖ Rahkeem McDonald	"Big Keem"	❖ Centrilia Leach	"CeCe"
❖ Malcolm Hartley	"Silent Bloody"		



The Charlotte Observer

Report: Father of 4 paralyzed in I-85 rest area shooting



On November 28, 2015 Greg McKee stopped at the rest area on I 85 in Cabarrus County. While washing his hands in the bathroom two men approached him and stood on either side. Feeling scared, Mr. McKee ran and was shot in the back leaving him paralyzed from the waist down.

Darren Manuel and Terrell Thomas have since been arrested and charged with the shooting of Mr. McKee.

Darren Manuel was arrested first and placed in the Cabarrus County Jail. While in jail he placed a phone call to his girlfriend. He instructed her to call Mr. Thomas and tell him that McKee “had to go and he didn’t care when or how it happened.”

Terrell Thomas was located in New York and arrested. Both men are now in custody in North Carolina.

Darren Manuel is a member of the Bloods.



February 7, 2016, WBTV, WSMV News 4
<http://www.wsmv.com/story/30919038/rest-area-shooting-suspect-moved-from-ny-to-nc>

Protection of Law Enforcement from Public Records

The News&Observer

Raleigh officer D.C. Twiddy's beat one of drugs, traffic stops

March 5, 2016

“As many await a fuller picture of what happened that day, public records and web searches offer a scant outline of the senior officer’s path to Raleigh and the city police department.”

March 5, 2016,

The News&Observer

<http://www.newsobserver.com/news/local/crime/article64268267.html#storylink=cpy>

September 15, 2016

JPS Oversight Committee



Enforcement of the
current gang law

Topics:

1. Intelligence and Documentation
2. Safety of Victim(s)/Witnesses
3. Snitching
4. Cooperation



Intelligence and Documentation

1. Throughout the state of NC departments are getting away from gang units and/or not documenting gang members, associates or suspected members.

a) Why use manpower in documenting gang members and/or groups?

1. Time intensive to document members due to gang getting smarter, learning from LEO actions/court, etc.
2. No Prosecution of gang laws in NC.
3. Judges will not allow gang membership in court on most cases.
4. No stiffer penalties and/or jail time with gang laws if prosecuted in most cases. The same penalties can be accomplished with normal statues.

2. Gangs are changing everyday.

- a) NC has more than just Bloods, Crips, Kings, MS13 and Surenos 13 that you see on TV.
- b) Hybrid gangs disguised as “labels” and change frequently.



Most regions of NC are reporting a “Hybrid gang presence”.

Intelligence and Documentation

3. Absence of a standardized validation process or validation form for LEO and DA's to use for documenting gang members, associates and suspected members.
 - a. Several agencies throughout the state are documenting gang members, affiliates and suspected members in different ways.
 - i. Not all agencies in North Carolina are using the state provided gang database that shares intelligence throughout the state.
 - ii. Time consuming
 - iii. Etc.
4. No set gang/intelligence based units results in a lack of intelligence being shared.
5. Lack of training for LEO and DA's throughout the state to identify and document gang members.



Training is offered by the NCGIA through multiple community colleges for FREE! The training consists of identifying, documenting gang members to include identifying gang crimes.

Safety of Victim(s)/Witnesses

1. No protection for victim(s) and/or witnesses
 - a. No funding in relocating victim/witnesses.
 - b. Victim and Witness intimidation
 - a. Witness intimidation statute needs to cover from arrest to end of prison/probation term.
 - i. In many cases victim/witnesses are intimidated.
 - a. Phone calls
 - b. Social Media
 - c. "Discovery" on social media and throughout the jails/neighborhoods
 - d. Physical threat
 - e. Third party threat



How does the current statute pertain to current incarcerated individuals?

Stiff prosecution and protection for current prisoners in NC prisons related to gang related assaults in NC prison/county jails, and the intimidation of staff/witnesses.

The term “Snitching”

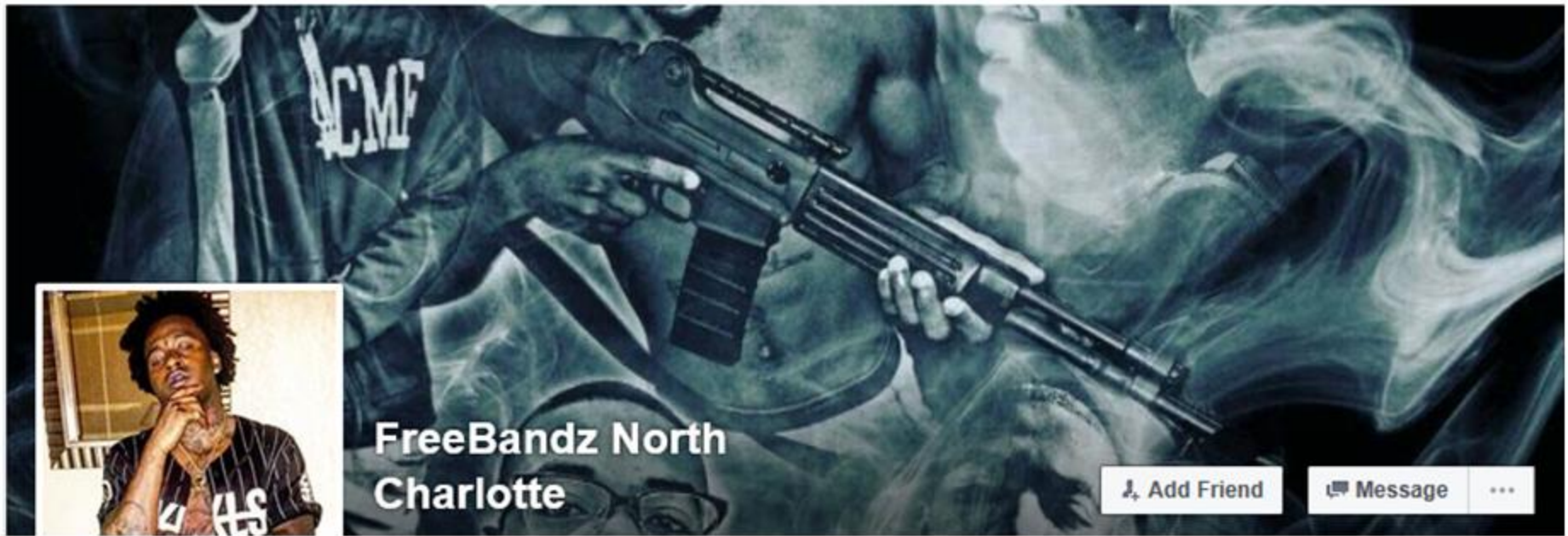
1. The term “Snitching” is more complex now.

- a) Gangs will not testify or give statements against rival gang members and/or associates. To include cases where subjects are shot, stabbed or other violent cases.

Resulting in

- i. We have no “victim” in violent person or property cases.
- ii. Resulting in no conviction and/or plea deal.





FreeBandz North Charlotte

July 19 · 🌐

KiKi Cartel Lijah Austin Toniio Dixon Deezy Cartel
Cartel NeverTold NeverFold Tay Bush Shawn
CuttinUp Taquan Bush no caption needed 📺



Duane Isaac Austin Facebook (7/21/2016)

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department

Narrative Supplement

Confidential Law Enforcement Data

Document: Narrative Supplement	Document# 9	Document Date: 01/26/2016	Document Status: Approved	Complaint# 20160122-1833-03
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NARRATIVE:

Type:
INTERNAL

Reporting Officer: DONAHUE, LUKE J (002198) Office: 704-618-2436	Section: 74-VICE AND NARCOTICS	Entered Date/Time: 01/26/2016 1736
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Did the reporting officer take any written notes related to this incident? No

Did the reporting officer have correspondence, memos, or emails related to this incident? No

Brief description of reporting officer role or involvement in the case:

See narrative

On 01/22/2015 I was working on duty as a uniformed Vice and Narcotics Detective. On this particular day I was operating an unmarked Police vehicle and was monitoring city wide events as a representative of the Vice and Narcotics Division.

At approximately 1545 hours, I was traveling outbound on Statesville Road when I observed North Division FMT Officers Federowicz and Smith making a traffic stop on a silver, 1998 four door Nissan Altima (CJW 3773) in the 5100 block of Statesville Road. I then fell in behind their Police vehicle and exited my vehicle to provide assistance with the traffic stop.

Shortly thereafter, Officer Federowicz informed the driver, Anthony Funderburk, that he detected an odor of marijuana inside of his vehicle and subsequently asked Funderburk to exit the Nissan. The front right passenger of the Nissan, Brendan Speed, was also asked to exit the vehicle so Officers could conduct a search of the vehicle for narcotics. I then stood by with Funderburk and Speed while Officers searched the Nissan. Moments later, Officer Smith discovered a small quantity of marijuana that had been wrapped in a paper towel in the driver's side door handle. Officer Federowicz then placed Funderburk in custody without incident and asked if I could assist him with an interview at the North Division Office.

I then drove to the North Division Team Office and spoke with Officers Federowicz and Smith about the circumstances surrounding their arrest. At 1625 hours, I accompanied Officer Federowicz into the North Division Interview Room and formally introduced myself to Funderburk. Officer Federowicz then presented Funderburk with an Adult Waiver of Rights Form and read the form out loud to Funderburk. Funderburk stated that he understood his rights and acknowledged this fact by signing and initialing the form at 1629 hours.

Funderburk stated that he had driven over to 3929 Atlas Drive with the intent of purchasing marijuana. Funderburk ultimately purchased 2 grams of marijuana for \$30.00 dollars from a black male subject known to him as "DJ." Funderburk acknowledged that he was only at the residence for a short period of time and that he was aware of Police presence in the area.

With this information now in hand, the decision was made to apply for a search warrant for

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Craig Leverette Damn

2 · July 19 at 7:35pm



Kodak Tae Im tripping on that part "Go by the name Dj" smh dat mane giving out nicknames

5 · July 19 at 7:46pm



Twan Cousar FreeBandz North Charlotte..wat I tell u bra Steph an Juice the only niggas u need around u...Lil bra leave dem fuck niggas wea they b....fuckem

4 · July 19 at 7:57pm



Junior Jacobs Dats sum how shit Frfr

July 19 at 8:27pm



Dunk MasterMind Shooter Damn Nigga Ratted on ah Misdemeanor charge 🤔🤔🤔 you gotta Be fuckin kidin Me 🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔

2 · July 19 at 9:18pm



Darryl Gtuvat Longlivelula Boy that nigga eat cheese sandwiches



FreeBandz North Charlotte

July 19 at 12:50am · 🌐

Niggas know I got dat motion back 📄 □

06/05/2016 000000070 P

ADULT WAIVER OF RIGHTS (18 years of age and over)

I, Anthony Jackson, am 17 years old. My date of birth is 05/15/99. My address is 6524 1st St. N. Charlotte, NC. I have finished the 12th grade in school and understand that I have been told by Officer Detective who I understand is a police officer/detective that they would like to question me. This Officer Detective has also explained to me and I understand that:

- AG (Initials) (1) I have the right to remain silent. That means I do not have to say anything or answer any questions.
- AG (2) Anything I say can be used against me.
- AG (3) I have the right to talk to a lawyer and to have a lawyer here with me now to advise and help me during questioning.
- AG (4) If I want to have a lawyer with me during questioning, but can not afford to pay a lawyer, one will be provided to me at no cost before I am questioned.

I understand my rights as explained by Officer Detective Kalman. I now state that I DO wish to answer questions at this time.

My decision to answer questions now is made freely and in my own choice. No one has threatened me in any way or promised me any special treatment. To show my decision, I am signing my name in the space below.

Signed Anthony Jackson Date: 6/5/16 Time: 7:22

Witness (Signature)

William Jackson #2198

Printed

Printed L.T. Dodson #2098



Duane Isaac Austin Facebook (7/21/2016)

Family Contact:

Marsha Reed (wife)
2348 Hemby Woods Drive
Charlotte, NC 28269
980-319-9360
704-283-0830

UPDATE: 03/31/2014

On 03/31/2014, Lloyd turned himself in at headquarters. Lloyd agreed to waive his Miranda rights and speak with detectives. Lloyd provided a full confession and advised that he committed one of the armed robberies of the Dodge truck and that Curry was the shooter for the murder. Lloyd advised that they went to the residence with the intention of robbing the victim of his vehicle and knew that a gun was going to be used. He also positively identified Hargrove and advised that he witnessed Curry inform Hargrove that the weapon Hargrove had provided was the murder weapon. Lloyd then advised that he observed the weapon in Hargrove's hand prior to them leaving his residence after they had committed the murder.

Detectives obtained a warrant on Hargrove for Accessory After the Fact to a Felony (Murder). A VCAT submission was completed.

UPDATE: 04/01/2014

On 04/01/2014 VCAT took Hargrove into custody for Accessory After the Fact to a Felony (Murder). Detectives attempted to speak with Hargrove about his involvement in the incident at which time Hargrove requested an Attorney. Hargrove was processed by CSS and transported to the Mecklenburg County intake center for arrest processing.

UPDATE: 04/07/2014

On 04/07/2014 Detectives identified "XL" as Amari Lorenzo Covington, B/M, DOB 07/02/1998. Detectives made contact with Covington at 5132 Glenview Ct., Charlotte which was his mother's residence. After speaking with Covington's mother, Covington agreed to speak with Detectives at the LEC voluntarily. Covington provided a full statement and provided a statement consistent with Curry's account of events admitting he committed the robberies of a Hispanic male and an Asian male. He positively identified Lloyd and Hargrove advising Curry informed Hargrove that a gun Curry gave to Hargrove was the murder weapon and overhearing Hargrove advise he would hide the weapon. He also identified "KJ" as his cousin, Kenneth Reid, Jr.

Homicide Detectives briefed Armed Robbery Detectives who then obtained an SCO on Covington for his involvement in the armed robberies.

Cooperation

1. Why Cooperate?

- a) All cooperators know that everything is documented.
(Commonly referred to as “Black and White”)
- b) **All** information will be released when requested in most cases shortly after indictment. Then trial in most major cases will be pushed for a considerable time with discovery out “in the streets or social media”.
- c) **No state based witness protection.**

2. Benefits?

- a) No benefit in cooperating in the “State” system.
- b) Several benefits in the federal system for cooperators
 - a) Pre conviction sentence reduction
 - b) Post conviction sentence reduction
 - c) Etc.



Examples

§ 14-50.18. Soliciting; encouraging participation; minor.

(a) It is unlawful for any person to cause, encourage, solicit, or coerce a person under 16 years of age to participate in criminal street gang activity.

(b) A violation of this section is a Class F felony.

**** Effective for Offenses Committed on or after 12/1/95 Through 11/30/09 ****

FELONY PUNISHMENT CHART PRIOR RECORD LEVEL

	I 0 Pts	II 1-4 Pts	III 5-8 Pts	IV 9-14 Pts	V 15-18 Pts	VI 19+ Pts
F	I/A <i>16 - 20</i>	I/A <i>19 - 23</i>	I/A <i>21 - 27</i>	A <i>25 - 31</i>	A <i>28 - 36</i>	A <i>33 - 41</i>
	13 - 16	15 - 19	17 - 21	20 - 25	23 - 28	26 - 33
	<i>10 - 13</i>	<i>11 - 15</i>	<i>13 - 17</i>	<i>15 - 20</i>	<i>17 - 23</i>	<i>20 - 26</i>



Examples

§ 14-50.19. Threats to deter from gang withdrawal.

(a) It is unlawful for any person to communicate a threat of injury to a person, or to damage the property of another, with the intent to deter a person from assisting another to withdraw from membership in a criminal street gang.

(b) A violation of this section is a Class H felony. (2008-214, s. 3.)

§ 14-50.20. Threats of punishment or retaliation.

(a) It is unlawful for any person to communicate a threat of injury to a person, or to damage the property of another, as punishment or retaliation against a person for having withdrawn from a criminal street gang.

(b) A violation of this section is a Class H felony. (2008-214, s. 3.)

H	C/I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A	A
	6 - 8	8 - 10	10 - 12	11 - 14	15 - 19	20 - 25
	5 - 6	6 - 8	8 - 10	9 - 11	12 - 15	16 - 20
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Current Gang Trends in North Carolina

❖ Murders

(Both Gang Motivated and Gang Related)

❖ Shootings

(Drive-by Shooting and rolling gun fights)

❖ Home Invasions

❖ Stolen Firearms

❖ Robberies

❖ Burglaries

❖ Witness Intimidation

(Victim/Witnesses of crimes threatened/killed to prevent testimony)

❖ Kidnapping

❖ Narcotic Sales and Distribution

❖ Human Trafficking

❖ **Fraud** (Identity theft/bank fraud/Counterfeiting, etc.)

❖ Violent Assaults

❖ Extortion



Gang members are getting extremely smart and focusing on crimes that will result in minimal punishment (Fraud, etc.) or hard for law enforcement to prosecute (Human Trafficking, etc.)

Tactics Used to Combat Gang Activities

- ❖ Networking and Partnering with other Agencies
(Local, State, and Federal)
- ❖ The Formation of local Gang/Intelligence Units
- ❖ Working with both District Attorney and U.S. Attorneys
 - ❖ Violent Crime Reduction Call-In's
(Cooperation between Local, State, and Federal)
- ❖ Combining efforts with Gang, Narcotics and Investigative Units
 - ❖ NC GangNet Database



Recommendations

- ❖ Discovery Laws that “delay” naming the victim, witness, or cooperating informant for safety reasons. Also restrict documents from being placed on social media and being copied and released inside of county and prison facilities.
- ❖ Gang enhancement laws need to be revisited to allow them to be used more.
- ❖ Add Gang criteria into statute to give a standardized validation process for the entire state.
- ❖ Protection of ~~Law Enforcement~~ Criminal Justice Professionals from Public Records. (*DMV, County GIS Online Systems, etc.*)



QUESTIONS?

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